

Pilgrimage in the Byzantine Empire, 7th–15th Centuries

Dumbarton Oaks Symposium 2000

The annual Byzantine Studies symposium at Dumbarton Oaks, held May 5–7, 2000, was under the direction of Alice-Mary Talbot. Fourteen papers explored the new patterns of pilgrimage that developed after the conquest of the Holy Land by the Arabs in the 7th century. Although Byzantines in limited numbers continued to journey to the *loca sancta* of Palestine, there was a marked shift in pilgrimage in the middle and late centuries of the Byzantine Empire. Cities such as Constantinople, which acquired major relics of Christ's Passion and of the Virgin, and Thessalonike, with its shrine of the martyr saint Demetrios, became major pilgrimage sites. Cults also developed at the tombs of new local saints, leading to the appearance of healing shrines in both urban and rural areas of Greece and Anatolia. Other foci of pilgrimage were holy springs (*haghiasmata*), holy icons, and living holy men.

Program

Introduction

Pierre Maraval, Université de Paris IV-Sorbonne

Les premiers développements du pèlerinage chrétien au Proche-Orient (avant le 7^e s.)

Transformation of Constantinople into the New Jerusalem

Averil Cameron, Oxford University

Constantinople and the Theotokos: The Construction of a Relationship

Ioli Kalavrezou, Harvard University

Art and Relics: Experiencing the Humanity of Christ

Pilgrimage to Constantinople

Annemarie Weyl Carr, Southern Methodist University

Icons and the Object of Pilgrimage in the Middle Byzantine Constantinople

George Majeska, University of Maryland
Russian Pilgrims in Constantinople

Krijnie Ciggaar, University of Leiden
Western Travelers to Constantinople, 1000–1453

Pilgrimage Sites in the Provinces

Charalambos Bakirtzis, Ephoreia of Byzantine Antiquities, Thessalonike
Pilgrimage to Thessalonike: The Tomb of St. Demetrios

Clive Foss, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Pilgrimage in Medieval Asia Minor

Jan Olof Rosenqvist, Uppsala University
Local Worshippers, Imperial Patrons: Pilgrimage to St. Eugenios of Trebizond

Nancy Ševčenko, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Shifting Venerations at Patmos and Sinai

New Foci of Pilgrimage

Richard Greenfield, Queen's University of Kingston
Drawn to the Blazing Beacon: Pilgrimage to the Living and the Case of Lazaros
of Mt. Galesion

Alice-Mary Talbot, Dumbarton Oaks
Pilgrimage to the Healing Shrines: The Evidence of Miracle Accounts

The Experience of Pilgrimage

Michel Kaplan, Université de Paris I–Panthéon-Sorbonne
Saints on Pilgrimage, 7th–12th c.

Conclusion

Stanley Tambiah, Harvard University
An Anthropologist's Comments on Byzantine Pilgrimage